

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
CHARLOTTE DIVISION  
CASE NO. 3:19-CV-363-RJC-DCK**

**AUDREY WILLIAMS PRIDE,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**US DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY, et al.,**

**Defendants.**

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**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT** on the parties' "Joint Motion For Exception To Mediation" (Document No. 59) filed August 5, 2022. This motion has been referred to the undersigned Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), and immediate review is appropriate. Having carefully considered the motion and the record, and in consultation with Judge Conrad's chambers, the undersigned will grant the motion.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that the parties' "Joint Motion For Exception To Mediation" (Document No. 59) is **GRANTED**.

**SO ORDERED.**

Signed: August 8, 2022

  
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David C. Keesler  
United States Magistrate Judge

